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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 5, please amend paragraph [0018] as follows:

[0018] FIG.4 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line ~~A-A~~ 4-4 in FIG.3.

On page 5, please amend paragraph [0026] as follows:

[0026] FIG.12 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line ~~B-B~~ 12-12 in FIG.11.

On page 5, please amend paragraph [0027] as follows:

[0027] Referring now to drawings, an embodiment of the present invention will be described in detail. FIG.1 is a drawing of a motorcycle 100 of a scooter type according to the embodiment of the present invention viewed from the occupant, showing a state in which an airbag apparatus 120 is mounted to the motorcycle 100. FIG.2 is a drawing showing the construction of the airbag apparatus 120 in FIG.1. FIG.3 is a drawing showing the construction of a cover body 126 in FIG.2. FIG.4 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line ~~A-A~~ 4-4 in FIG.3. FIG.5 is a drawing showing a state in which the cover body 126 is torn at a thinned portion 126a in FIG.2. FIG.6 is an enlarged partial view of an airbag 122 in FIG.2. The motorcycle 100 in the present embodiment corresponds to an example of the "motorbike" in the present invention.

On page 8, please amend paragraph [0039] follows:

When the motorcycle 100 on which the occupant rides is involved in collide accident in the direction of travel, the occupant is about to move (to be thrown) toward the front (the direction indicated by the arrow 10) of the motorcycle 100 as shown in FIG.1. In the present embodiment, the airbag apparatus 120 is activated upon detection of front collision, and projection (deployment) of the airbag

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122 from the airbag apparatus 120 toward the occupant crush protection area 130 starts. When supply of expansion gas from the inflator 129, as the expansion gas supplying means, to the interior of the airbag 122 is initiated, deployment and expansion of the airbag 122 starts. The state of the airbag apparatus 120 in the initial stage of deployment is shown, for example, in FIG.7.